

**1982 No. 1627****VETERINARY SURGEONS****The Veterinary Surgery (Exemptions) (Amendment)  
Order 1982**

<i>Made</i> - - - - -	17th November 1982
<i>Laid before Parliament</i>	17th November 1982
<i>Coming into Operation</i>	1st January 1983

The Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, the Secretary of State for Scotland, the Secretary of State for Wales and the Department of Agriculture for Northern Ireland, acting jointly, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 19(4)(e) of the Veterinary Surgeons Act 1966<sup>(a)</sup> and now vested in them<sup>(b)</sup> and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, after consultation in accordance with the said section 19(4)(e) with the Council of the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons, hereby make the following order:—

*Title and commencement*

**1.** This order may be cited as the Veterinary Surgery (Exemptions) (Amendment) Order 1982 and shall come into operation on 1st January 1983.

*Amendment*

**2.** The Veterinary Surgery (Exemptions) Order 1962<sup>(c)</sup> shall be amended as follows:—

- (a) in Article 4(d) for the words “a suitable instrument;” there shall be substituted the words “a suitable instrument, unless the poult has reached the age of 21 days;” and
- (b) in Article 4(e) for the words “a suitable instrument; and” there shall be substituted the words “a suitable instrument, unless, in the case of the removal of a comb, the fowl has reached the age of 72 hours.”.

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<sup>(a)</sup> 1966 c. 36; section 27(1) was amended by article 11(2) of, and paragraph 1 of Schedule 5 to, the Transfer of Functions (Wales) (No. 1) Order 1978 (S.I. 1978/272).

<sup>(b)</sup> By virtue of the order mentioned in footnote <sup>(a)</sup>; and, in the case of the Department of Agriculture for Northern Ireland, by virtue of section 40 of, and paragraph 7(1) of Schedule 5 to, the Northern Ireland Constitution Act 1973 (c. 36) and section 1(3) of, and paragraph 2(1)(b) of Schedule 1 to, the Northern Ireland Act 1974 (c. 28).

<sup>(c)</sup> S.I. 1962/2557, to which there is an amendment not relevant to this order.

In Witness whereof the Official Seal of the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food is hereunto affixed on 15th November 1982.

(L.S.)

*Peter Walker,*  
Minister of Agriculture,  
Fisheries and Food.

16th November 1982.

*George Younger,*  
Secretary of State for Scotland.

16th November 1982.

*Wyn Roberts,*  
Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State  
for Wales.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Agriculture for Northern Ireland on 17th November 1982.

(L.S.)

*J. A. Young,*  
Permanent Secretary.

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#### EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This Note is not part of the Order.)*

This Order amends the Veterinary Surgery (Exemptions) Order 1962 by providing that:—

- (i) the removal of the snood of a turkey which has reached the age of 21 days and
- (ii) the removal of the comb of a fowl which has reached the age of 72 hours

can no longer be carried out by a layman. The operations must now be carried out by a veterinary surgeon.

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